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SUBJ: ECOSOC - ITEM 17(A) REPORT OF ILO

1. US STATMENT IN COORDINATION COMMITTEE DURING IN DEPTH REVIEW
OF ILO WAS WELL RECEIVED BY ALL MEMBERS WHO SPOKE. EXPECIALLY SIGNALL
ED

OUT WAS POINT THAT ILO MIGHT CONSIDER WHETHER ITS ROLE IN INTER-
NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT EFFORT SHOULD BE PRIMARILY ADVISORY OR
OPERATIONAL SEEMS TO HAVE STRUCK RESPONSIVE CHORD AMONG A NUM-
BER OF DELEGATIONS. WE CONSIDER POSSIBLE THAT AN ECOSOC
RESOLUTION ASKING THE ILO GOVERNING BODY TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION
MIGHT BE APPROVED. SUCH RESOLUTION WOULD CALL
ATTENTION TO BROAD INTER-SECTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES
OF ILO, DANGER OF OVERLAP WITH RESPONSIBILITIES OTHER AGENCIES
AND NEED FOR COORDINATION WHILE MAKING OPTIMUM USE OF ILO
INFLUENCE AND EXPERIENCE AS A CONSULTATIVE AND ADVISORY BODY.

2. ALTHOUGH DIFFICULT TO JUDGE EXTENT OF THEIR WILLINGNESS TO
FOLLOW THIS LINE WE SENSE THAT DELEGATES OF NETHERLANDS, KENYA,
INDIA, FRANCE AND PAKISTAN SOMEWHAT ATTRACTED BY THIS APPROACH.
EVEN USSR COMMENTS APPEARED TO SOME EXTENT PARALLEL
THIS LINE OF THINKING. IN FACT OTHER DELEGATIONS
ALMOST WITHOUT EXCEPTION MADE REMARKS INDICATING DEEP CONCERN
OVER QUESTION OF ROLE AND PROBLEM OF COORDINATION OF ILO PROGRAM
WITH THAT OF OTHER AGENCIES.

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3. AN ECOSOC RESOLUTION TO THIS EFFECT COULD BE HELPFUL IN
USG EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE ILO LONG TERM PLANNING ALONG
MORE PRECISE LINES OF ESTABLISHMENT PRIORITIES. NEED REPLY BY
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